

**Aurora Board of Education  
Minutes of the January 14, 2008, Meeting**

Regular Meeting of the Board  
Superintendent's Conference Room  
12:00 Noon

PRESENT:  
Stephanie Penner  
Kirk Penner  
Pat Shaw  
Jay Oswald  
Clint Paisley  
Sue Mitchell

ABSENT:

Clint Paisley called to order the regularly scheduled January 14, 2008, meeting of the Aurora Board of Education at 12:03 p.m. Mr. Paisley brought to the attention of those in attendance the poster placed in the Board room which explains the Open Meetings Law.

Kirk Penner, Board of Education Treasurer, reported \$601,427.89 was received for the General Fund; \$16,842.17 for the Special Building Fund; \$23,177.27 for the Quality Bond Fund; and, \$41,426.97 for the Construction Bond Fund.

Motion by Mitchell, seconded by Penner to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Kirk Penner, Mitchell, Oswald, Penner, Shaw, Paisley voting aye.

Motion by Mitchell, seconded by Penner to authorize Superintendent Ramaekers to sign a contract with Windstream based on the Nebraska master state contract for a 40 megabit IP Ethernet and Cisco Router service for a monthly cost of \$2,280 and a non-recurring cost of \$625 for 48 months with the option to purchase for four 12 month extensions. Roll call vote Mitchell, Oswald, Penner, Shaw, Kirk Penner, Paisley voting aye.

Motion by Oswald, seconded by Penner to approve Policy No. 5131.60 Aurora Public Schools Student Eligibility Requirements for Royalty and Elected Offices, on first reading. Roll call vote: Oswald, Penner, Shaw, Kirk Penner, Mitchell, Paisley voting aye.

Superintendent Ramaekers discussed with the Board the work being done relating to the bond issue. The State Fire Marshal was here on Thursday, 12/27/07, to do his inspection of the new Art Classrooms and the physics/chemistry classroom. He has approved most of the area with some minor details that have been resolved. The masons have completed the north and a small portion of the east side of the metal building with the face brick. Block for the supporting walls at the Elementary School has continued in spite of the cold weather. They have completed the south and west wall and the corridor that runs parallel with the building. They are currently laying block for the individual classrooms.

Superintendent Ramaekers conducted the election of the chairperson of the Board for 2008. Clint Pailsey was nominated for the position of Chairperson of the Board. Roll call vote: Penner, Shaw, Kirk Penner, Mitchell, Oswald voting aye, Pailsey abstain.

Chairperson Paisley accepted nominations for the position of Vice Chairperson of the Board. Pat Shaw was nominated for the position of Vice Chairperson. Roll call vote: Kirk Penner, Mitchell, Oswald, Penner, Paisley voting aye. Shaw abstain.

Chairperson Paisley accepted nominations for the position of Secretary of the Board. Jay Oswald was nominated for the position of Secretary of the Board. Roll call vote: Mitchell, Penner, Shaw, Kirk Penner, Paisley voting aye. Oswald abstain.

Chairperson Paisley accepted nominations for the position of Treasurer of the Board. Kirk Penner was nominated for the position of Treasurer of the Board. Roll call vote: Oswald, Penner, Shaw, Mitchell, Paisley voting aye. Kirk Penner abstain.

After a brief discussion and survey of members of the Board, Chairperson Paisley indicated Board committee assignments will remain the same for 2008 as they were for 2007.

The date, time and location for the annual Board/Administrator Retreat were set. The retreat will be held at The Leadership Center on Thursday, February 21st beginning at 9:00 a.m. Topics of discussion for the retreat will include, but not limited to, the District's transportation system, a breakfast program, modified block scheduling, grading systems, security and staffing.

The principals gave their monthly report.

Several upcoming meetings that Board members could attend were discussed.

Motion by Oswald, seconded by Mitchell to adjourn the meeting. All voting aye.

Meeting adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Jay Oswald  
Aurora Board of Education Secretary